PART IV

Section 1-B

CENTRAL ACTS AND ORDINANCES

NOTIFICATION

(LAW DEPARTMENT)

No. LAW 84 LCA 66, Bangalore, dated 2nd February 1967.

Ordered that the Constitution (Twentieth Amendment) Act, 1966, which has been published in the *Gazette of India*, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 1, dated the 23rd December 1966 be republished in the *Mysore Gazette*, for general information.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Mysore,

H. K. ANANTHASUBBA RAO,
Under Secy. to Govt., L. D.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF LAW

(Legislative Department)

New Delhi, the 23rd December, 1966/Pausa 2, 1888 (Saka)

The following Act of Parliament received the assent of the President on the 22nd December, 1966, and is hereby published for general information:—

THE CONSTITUTION (TWENTIETH AMENDMENT) ACT, 1966.

[*22nd December 1966*]

An Act further to amend the Constitution of India.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventeenth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title.*—This Act may be called the Constitution (Twentieth Amendment) Act, 1966.

2. *Insertion of new article 233A.*—After article 233 of the Constitution, the following article shall be inserted, namely :—

"233A. *Validation of appointments of and judgments, etc., delivered by, certain district judges.*—Notwithstanding any judgment, decree or order of any court,—

(*a*) (*i*) no appointment of any person already in the judicial service of a State or of any person who has been for not less than seven years an advocate or a pleader, to be a district judge in that State, and

(*ii*) no posting, promotion or transfer of any such person as a district judge,

made at any time before the commencement of the Constitution (Twentieth Amendment) Act, 1966, otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of article 233 or article 235 shall be deemed to be illegal or void or ever to have become illegal or void by reason only of the fact that such appointment, posting, promotion or transfer was not made in accordance with the said provisions ;

(*b*) no jurisdiction exercised, no judgment, decree, sentence or order passed or made, and no other act or proceeding done or taken, before the commencement of the Constitution (Twentieth Amendment) Act, 1966 by, or before, any person appointed, posted, promoted or transferred as a district judge in any State otherwise than in accordance with the provisions of article 233 or article 235 shall be deemed to be illegal or invalid or ever to have become illegal or invalid by reason only of the fact that such appointment, posting, promotion or transfer was not made in accordance with the said provisions.".

S. P. SEN-VARMA,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.